



**NOTICE OF 30-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD  
AMERICAN ENGINEERED COMPONENTS, INC. SITE  
2313 Blue Ridge Boulevard, Seneca South Carolina.**

The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) announces a 30-day period for citizens to comment on a potential Voluntary Cleanup Contract for the American Engineered Components, Inc., site. The contract, **VCC-06-5660-NRP**, will be between “2313 Blue Ridge Blvd., LLC” and DHEC. The contract will allow “2313 Blue Ridge Blvd., LLC” to purchase the property as a Brownfields site, which may have environmental pollution resulting from past practices. “2313 Blue Ridge Blvd., LLC” did not create the pollution, but wants to buy the property and voluntarily clean it up for reuse. If this contract is implemented, DHEC will not hold “2313 Blue Ridge Blvd., LLC” liable under State Superfund laws for pre-existing contamination in exchange for performing work under the Voluntary Cleanup Program. If contamination has spread off of the property, State law will not allow affected parties to file suit against “2313 Blue Ridge Blvd., LLC” for the past operations; however, legal action may be pursued against any former owners or operators.

The Brownfields site being purchased by “2313 Blue Ridge Blvd., LLC” consists of 2.75 acres identified by tax map #207-00-01-210 and is located at 2313 Blue Ridge Boulevard (Highway 28). The facility had industrial use from 1985 until 2005 by various companies engaged in metal stamping and casting operations. As part of the process, large quantities of solvents were used and stored on-site for degreasing operations. Limited soil testing conducted around former storage tanks and degreasing units has found a solvent, Trichloroethylene (TCE), indicating that leakage to the environment has occurred.

“2313 Blue Ridge Blvd., LLC” intends to use the Property for assembly, storage, and sale of marine products. Due to the environmental contamination, “2313 Blue Ridge Blvd., LLC” wishes to enter into a contract under DHEC’s Voluntary Cleanup Program. Under the proposed contract, “2313 Blue Ridge Blvd., LLC” will test samples of soil, groundwater, sediment, and soil gas samples. If significant contamination is found, “2313 Blue Ridge Blvd., LLC” will remove contaminated soil from the property to meet standards and may be required to take additional steps to protect human health and the environment based on the laboratory findings. The proposed contract is available at <http://www.scdhec.gov/lwm/html/public.asp>. Printed copies may be obtained from the DHEC Freedom of Information Office at (803) 898-3882.

DHEC promotes redevelopment and revitalization of Brownfields sites across the state so that these properties do not become abandoned or unusable. Public comments on proposed Brownfields contracts assist DHEC in balancing the environmental and redevelopment issues to be in the best interest of the state. Any comments or questions may be directed to Angela Gorman, Project Manager, email [gormanak@dhec.sc.gov](mailto:gormanak@dhec.sc.gov), telephone (803) 896- 4121, or Craig Dukes, Brownfields Public Information Coordinator, SCDHEC – Bureau of Land and Waste Management, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201; email [dukescv@dhec.sc.gov](mailto:dukescv@dhec.sc.gov), TOLL-FREE telephone (866) 576-3432. Citizens may provide written, email, or telephone comments on the American Engineered Components, Inc., site proposed contract until September 26, 2006.